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## SENATE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the legislative council to establish an interim study committee to study grade inflation at state educational institutions.

*Whereas, Grade inflation is defined as "the awarding of higher grades than students deserve either to maintain a school's academic reputation or as a result of diminished teacher expectations";*

*Whereas, Grade inflation did not become a major issue in American education until the 1960s;*

*Whereas, However, recent data show that grades are rising at colleges, universities, and high schools throughout the United States;*

*Whereas, Grade inflation makes it more difficult to identify the outstanding students when more students receive the highest possible grade;*

*Whereas, There are several possible ways to address the occurrence of grade inflation within our educational institutions, including assigning more challenging course work, instituting ranked grading or "grading on a curve", or reporting grades on a 100 point scale rather than on a 4.0 point scale; and*

*Whereas, It would behoove the state of Indiana to study*



*further the issues of grade inflation: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the  
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1           SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to establish an  
2           interim study committee to study grade inflation at state educational  
3           institutions.

4           SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate  
5           under the direction of the legislative council, and that the committee  
6           shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

